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IT SCREAMS! Whitesburg, Letcher County, Kentucky, Thursday, February 18, 1965 Vol. 57, No. 41

The MOUNTAIN EAGLE



INDUSTRIES HONORED--Mrs. Nathan Baker (center) of Letcher received certificates of appreciation this week from the Commonwealth of Kentucky and the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce at a luncheon in Louisville honoring the 85 manufacturing firms which announced new industrial plants in Kentucky during 1964. Mrs. Baker represented Fire-Glo Cannel Corporation at Isom, which packages cannel coal for home fireplace use, and Boone Boy Industries Inc., at Letcher, which manufactures upholstered furniture. Kentucky Gov. Edward T. Breathitt and G. J. Tankersley (right), Owensboro, presented the certificates. The luncheon marked the beginning of "Industry Appreciation Week" sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and the Kentucky Department of Commerce.

Hospital patient load 101 per cent

The Whitesburg Appalachian Regional Hospital operated at 101 per cent of its capacity during the month of January, according to a statistical report released this week by hospital administrator Ray Roberts.

The average daily number of patients during January was 62. The hospital's capacity is rated at 61 patients. The highest number of persons hospitalized at one time during January was 75; the lowest was 52.

The January figures contrasted sharply with those of November, when occupancy was 72 per cent, and December, when it was 82 per cent. Hospital officials say occupancy must be 83 per cent for the institution to break even.

Thirty-eight per cent of the January patient load was financed by government welfare programs. Seventy-five patients were hospitalized under the medical assistance and public assistance programs administered by the Kentucky Department of Economic Security, and 30 were hospitalized under the special medical indigent program set up by the state of Kentucky to keep the hospitals in operation.

Beneficiaries of the United Mine Workers of America Welfare and Retirement Fund accounted for 20 per cent of the January patient load. Private self-pay patients made up 15 per cent, and Blue Cross Insurance beneficiaries 13 per cent. Workmen's compensation accounted for two per cent, and private commercial insurance for 12 per cent.

Roberts said the hospital's accounts receivable now total \$137,721.23. Of this amount, \$72,676.27 is less than 60 days old, \$24,712.44 is 60 to 90 days old and \$45,979.07 is more than 90 days old.

Three-hundred thirty-two persons were treated in the hospital emergency room during January. The average daily emergency room visits were 11.

Roberts broke down the January admissions to the hospital by ge-

ography. Here's where the patients came from:

Whitesburg, 47; Ermine, 14; Jenkins, 12; Letcher, Mayking and McRoberts, 11 each; Blackey and Non, 10 each; Eolia and Roxana, 9 each; Burdine, Crommons and Payne Gap, 8 each; Jackhorn, Millstone, Seco and Southdown, 7 each; Colson, Isom, Dunham, Isom and Premium, 6 each; Jeremiah and Van, 4 each; Deane, Thornton,

Twenty-two babies were born at the hospital during January.

Sexton poultry house destroyed by fire

Fire of unexplained origin destroyed a 10,000-layer poultry house at the home of Columbus Sexton at Colson early Sunday morning, Feb. 14.

Sexton was a pioneer in the new emphasis on egg-production in Letcher County, and his poultry house was the first of several built in the county during the past three years.

All 10,000 hens were lost, along with equipment and a barn which stood nearby.

Sexton said the loss was partly covered by insurance. He is making plans to rebuild the house. A well and pumphouse which supplied the chicken house

Kona, Kingscreek, Partridge, Ulvah, three each; Crown, Dongola, Hallie, Sergent, Shelby Gap, two each; Amburgey, Carcassonne, Day, Democrat, Linefork, Littcar, Oscaloosa, Owen Fork, Skyline, Both, one each; Dorton, two; Red Fox, three; Salem, Ind., two; Chicago, Ill., one; Wise, Va., two, and Big Stone Gap, Va., one.

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The blaze was discovered when the bright light it created awoke the Sextons at about 2 a.m. Sunday.

The VFW firetruck from Whitesburg was called, but the building was already destroyed. The fire fighters wet down adjacent buildings to keep them from catching fire.

At 7 a.m. Sexton, who also is chairman of the Salvation-Army Citizens Committee overseeing the distribution of charitable donations sent here, was in Whitesburg helping to unload a truckload of donated goods sent here from Rockland County, N.Y.

Roberts to leave

Ray G. Roberts, who has been administrator of the Whitesburg Appalachian Regional Hospital since last August, will become administrator of the South Williamson, Ky., Appalachian Regional Hospital on March 1.

Roberts will supervise operation of both the 145-bed South Williamson hospital and the 61-bed Whitesburg hospital until a new administrator can be found for the hospital here.

At South Williamson, Roberts will succeed William B. Esson, who is taking charge of a 350-bed hospital in Youngstown, Ohio.

Before coming here Roberts was

administrator of Western State Hospital, a state psychiatric hospital at Bolivar, Tenn. He spent five years in Pikeville as a public accountant and insurance company representative and three years as business manager of Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tenn.

Roberts is a native of Elkhorn City and holds a bachelor's degree from the Bowling Green, Ky., College of Commerce and a master's degree in hospital administration from Northwestern University.

He and his wife and their two young daughters will live in Williamson.

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Pickets visit mines

Mines of two Letcher County coal companies were picketed this week by large groups of men and women in an apparent renewal of the "roving picket" movement of two years ago.

One of the firms, Elkhorn-Jellico Coal Company of Marlowe, obtained a temporary restraining order from Letcher Circuit Court against the United Mine Workers of America and some of its members, and the number of pickets at both mines has declined.

The picketing began Monday morning at Elkhorn-Jellico, and about 60 miners left their jobs, some to join the picket movement.

(Elkhorn-Jellico canceled its union contract last spring and reopened as a non-union mine last fall.)

Berman Gibson, leader of the roving picket movement of two years ago, was present at the Elkhorn-Jellico picketing, but was not with pickets who visited the Polly Mine of South East Coal Company the following day. He denied leadership of the current picket movement.

South East employees went to work and did not leave their jobs

to join the pickets.

There were conflicting reports of violence among the picketers.

State police, who were at both mines, reported one man, Clyde Hatton, was beaten, and another, Clark Hall, was held to a bonfire and burned. Hall visited the Mountain Eagle office and said he was burned accidentally on the leg when he backed into the fire. Both these incidents allegedly occurred at Elkhorn-Jellico.

A picketer was arrested at the South East mine after he and a state trooper exchanged words concerning the trooper's driving of a car past the motorcade to Letcher County from Hazard, where many of the pickets live. He was Ashford Thomas, who was charged with breach of the peace.

Troopers were armed with carbines and shotguns. A picket spokesman denied that he or his fellow pickets were armed.

There were reports that the UMW would issue coveted "welfare cards" covering hospitalization and other benefits to those who joined the picket lines.

A UMW official said the union will provide subsistence vouchers for all workers who succeed in closing down any mines. The UMW recently announced that it plans a nationwide drive to unionize all coal mines.

Blaine Adams dies

Funeral rites for James Blaine Adams, 80, of Mayking, were conducted Feb. 13 at the Thornton Regular Baptist Church by Elders Ray Collins and I. D. Back.

Burial was in the Mayking Cemetery.

Mr. Adams, a retired miner, died Feb. 10. He was a son of the late Simpson E. and Sarah Webb Adams.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Martha Webb Adams; eleven children, Bennett, Dayton, Ohio; Urias, Mayking; Benjamin, Hamilton; Mrs. Roy Bullock, Pontiac, Mich.; Mrs. Camel McGinnis, Mayking; Mrs. Whit Rose, Berea; Mrs. Charles R. Webb, Pikeville; and Chester, Mayking; 19 grandchildren, four great-grandchildren and a sister, Betsy Ann Webb of Mayking.



WOUNDED IN VIET NAM--A Letcher County soldier, Sp4 Edward Raleigh of Eolia, is being carried on a stretcher at Andrews Air Force Base, near Washington, D.C., en route to Walter Reed Hospital for treatment of wounds received in the intensified fighting in Viet Nam earlier this month.

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Hemphill**HARVE FOXES VISIT CHILDREN IN KENTUCKY AND OHIO**

By Mrs. Jim Revis
Mr. and Mrs. Harve Fox went to Tollesboro, Ky., to visit their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Fox. They then went to Elyria, Ohio, to visit their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Uyless Anderson and family, and their other son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Fox.

While I was talking with Mrs. Watson Cornett of Jackhorn the other day she told me about her four sons.

John, a graduate of the University of Kentucky, now is practicing law in Whitesburg and his wife, Sally, of Maryville, Tenn., is a nurse at the Whitesburg hospital.

Their next son, Franklin Cornett, is a former Kentucky State Trooper and is now with the C & O Railroad in Russell, Ky. He is married to Bobby Jean Lewis of Fleming. They have two daughters.

Their next son is Clarence Cornett, who works in electronics with Westinghouse in Maryland. His wife is Angie Crase, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tilden Crase of Whitesburg.

The fourth son, Walter, received his bachelor's degree from Cumberland College. His wife, Frederica Vance, is a graduate of East Tennessee State University. They both now are chemists with the federal Food and Drug Administration in Cincinnati.

All four are graduates of Fleming-Neon High School. The Cornetts also have a daughter who is married and lives away.

Sorry to learn that Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Bradshaw's house was gutted by flames and that they lost nearly everything. The Neon Fire Department was called to help put out the fire. The house was in Ermine.

Mrs. Virgle Vanover and son J. W. drove her other son, Wiley, back to Eastern State College over the weekend.

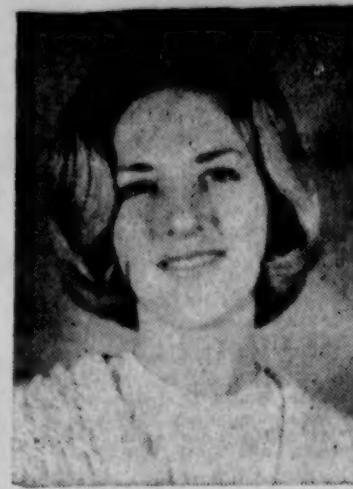
Sorry to hear that Mrs. Morgan Hall, "Grace", formerly of Quillen Fork and now of McRoberts, is ill and is under a doctor's care.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Johnson and daughter of Dayton have been here because of the death of Mr. Johnson's half-brother, John Belcher.

It seems that Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Vanover lost their four-year-old son, Timmy, the other day and had the whole neighborhood out looking for him. They looked in the well, they looked in the creek, they looked in the road, and decided to take another look in the house. There sat Timmy watching Popeye on TV. Timmy still watches Popeye but instead of sitting he now stands. It is more comfortable that way.

NOTICE
THE CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILWAY COMPANY hereby gives notice that on the 21st day of January 1965 it filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission at Washington, D. C., an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity permitting abandonment of its Meade Fork Subdivision, Ashland-Russell Division, extending from Jenkins (Meade Fork Junction), Letcher County, Ky., to the end of the line near Meade, Wise County, Va., approximately 14.51 miles, Finance Docket No. 23467.

THE CHESAPEAKE AND OHIO RAILWAY COMPANY

**Two Letcher students receive nurses' caps**

Christine R. Cooke of Fleming and Helen Joyce Wright of McRoberts were among 22 nursing students honored at capping exercises at the Appalachian Regional Hospitals' School of Professional Nursing at Harlan Tuesday.

The presentation of nurses' caps was the highlight of a candlelight ceremony signifying the completion of the first phase of clinical nurse training.

Miss Cooke is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edd Cooke, and Miss Wright is the daughter of Mrs. Irene Wright. Both are juniors at the school.

The ARH School of Professional Nursing, established in 1957, is the only such school in the area. There are 66 students presently enrolled in the 33-month program.

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NOTICE

Wendell Hall of Detroit, Mich., has qualified as executor of the estate of Janie Brown, deceased, of Neon. Anyone having any claims against said estate should present them to him, duly verified according to law, at the office of F. Byrd Hogg, attorney, in Whitesburg, Ky., before May 15, 1965.

FOR RENT

Three-room furnished apartment on Main Street. Call 2908 or see Mrs. Ralph Bates Jr.

FOR SALE

Candidates or Businesses--For book matches or pencils see or write Troah Campbell, Ulvah, Kentucky.

FEMALE HELP WANTED

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FOR SALE

SPINET PIANO BARGAIN--Wanted: Responsible party to take over low monthly payments on a spinet piano. Can be seen locally. Write Credit Manager, P. O. Box 215, Shelbyville, Ind.

NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 1.359(g) of the Rules and Regulations of the Federal Communications Commission, notice is hereby given that on February 8, 1965, Whitesburg Television Translator, Inc., filed with the Federal Communications Commission, Washington, D. C., an application for authority to construct a new TV broadcast translator station to serve the area of Whitesburg, Kentucky. The applicant proposes to operate on Channel 4 with an effective radiated power of 4.87 watts. The proposed translator site is on Pine Mountain near Mayking, Kentucky, having the following geographical co-ordinates: North Latitude, 37° 06' 38", West Longitude, 82° 44' 18". The applicant proposes to rebroadcast the signals of WBIR-TV, Channel 10, Knoxville, Tennessee.

Notice of
Offer of Sale
of Buildings

Pursuant to obligations of the City of Whitesburg, assumed in a cooperation agreement and the Urban Renewal Plan as approved by the Whitesburg City Council in session on the 10th day of March, 1964, the City of Whitesburg, herewith offers for sale to the person or persons making the highest and/or best offer for the structures located on properties formerly owned by persons as indicated:

BETTY SEXTON FIELDS
313 Quillen Street

Purchaser will demolish the structure and remove the materials from the area within a reasonable time and will leave the land "Rake Clean."

Offers to purchase the structures will be accepted by the Whitesburg Municipal Housing Commission as agent for the City of Whitesburg at its office in the Lucas Building, Whitesburg, Kentucky, until 5:00 P.M. Friday, February 26, 1965, at which time the purchaser will be determined. The former owner will be given an opportunity to purchase the house for an amount equal to the highest bid received.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Further information is available at the office of the Whitesburg Municipal Housing Commission.

THE CITY OF WHITESBURG
By: Ferdinand Moore, Mayor

ATTEST: DORIS BLAIR,
CITY CLERK

Roxana

OHIO FAMILY VISITS GEORGE LOGANS

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Markwell and family of Ohio visited Mr. and Mrs. George Logan and family in Roxana.

Our sympathy goes to Mr. and Mrs. George Fields of Roxana in the death of their baby daughter. Henry Shell of Kings Creek is a patient in the Whitesburg hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Hayes Shell and family of Ohio visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Shell of Kings Creek this week.

Bobby Hogg and Mrs. Jackie Henson of Cincinnati were here to attend the funeral services for their sister's baby. Mrs. Verna Cobb and Eva Back of Cincinnati visited Mr. and Mrs. Blackburn Hogg and attended funeral services for the daughter of Phyllis Fields.

Harvie Day of Kings Creek is visiting his brother, Henry Day,

in Virginia.

Mrs. Arthur Banks of Roxana has influenza.

Agents recognized

Lexington - The Kentucky Central Life Insurance Company announced that its Eastern Kentucky district with headquarters at Corbin was the firm's national leader in sales during 1964.

The Corbin district includes 18 counties in Eastern Kentucky.

The firm said Hatler Damron of Whitesburg was third among the division's 750 sales representatives and 10th within the company, while George Lucas, Whitesburg, was second among the division's 145 staff managers.

Now in its 63rd year, Kentucky Central operates in 34 states with a sales force of 1,200. National headquarters are in Lexington.

TO THE PUBLIC

I wish to take this opportunity to announce that I am a candidate for County Commissioner of District Number 1, subject to the Democratic Primary in May, 1965. I ask for your support to elect me as your County Commissioner of District Number 1.

Thank you,

DAVE WAGNER
Mayking, Ky.

Price on counseling staff at college

Morehead - Robert T. Price, sophomore from Whitesburg, is serving on the student counseling staff of the residence halls of Morehead State College.

Price serves on the guidance

council of the residence halls and his work includes guidance for students in academic and social affairs.

He is the son of T. G. Price, Jr., of Whitesburg.

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Blackey**SAP'S ARISIN'--AND CERTAIN LETCHER COUNTY RESIDENTS FEEL STIRRINGS OF FISHERMEN'S FEVER**

By LARRY CAUDILL

Sap's arisin' these balmy days. Fish species react to the irresistible impulse to struggle upstream on the spawning run. Fishermen species feel the impulse to go after the fish.

Probably such as Joe Back, Ollie James Back, Deb May and Clyde Back are talking about it.

Emmett Fields is casually reminding the Whitesburg devotees that the walleye in Cumberland

Lake are bound to be running up Rockcastle, Laurel and South Fork and over the sandbars at Devil's Jump and Yamacraw.

His kinsman Cyril Fields at Corbin probably is finding time every day to run out to the lake and test for walleyes. Once he spent a week at it without any luck. Then Saturday he stepped out on a rock and started casting. In half an hour he had five big walleyes. In Williamsburg Arch Caudill probably has become too

settled as a fat-beamed school teacher to have the impulse unless his new son-in-law Jerry Wyatt has it.

One thing--it's for dang sure the walleyes ain't going to run past a hospital bed.

One of the more interesting visitors to the hospital room has been Blanche McSwain of Jenkins, who recalls that she taught the Negro school at Carbon Glow in 1932 and again in 1943.

"There was a house full of students, that first term," she said. "There were so many nice people."

It was quite different, the second time. In 1943.

"So many of the folks had gone. There were only seven children in the school."

"But we put on a Christmas entertainment. The play needed eight characters. We had only seven."

"So we made a dummy. When he had a line, somebody else spoke it," laughed Mrs. McSwain. "It was loads of fun."

Mrs. Susan Hamilton has been ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Curt Cornett and Richard Cornett, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Bates, Ray Collins, I. D. Back, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nichols, Dr. Dow Collins, Harry M. Caudill, Fulton Combs, Tom Gish, Dr. B. C. Bach, Delmar Kincer, Dr. and Mrs. Lundy Adams, Mrs. Betty Barton, Mrs. Sarah McFall, Charles Barton, Ronnie Mullins and Woodrow Whitaker were among visitors to Larry Caudill at Whitesburg hospital.

Dr. Lundy Adams returned from a visit with a daughter, Mrs. James Stewart, and family, in Bonita Springs, Fla. Mrs. Adams stayed there for a rest.

The old Hardy Kilbourne store building at the end of Blackey bridge has been razed by Arnold Campbell, owner of the property. The old foundation will be used as a trash dump in a cleanup of Blackey, then landfilled and landscaped.

Outside his hospital work, Kenneth Childers is a devoted Scoutmaster. He wishes the Boy Scouts

could take a greater part in work among the youth in Eastern Kentucky.

He deplores the fact that a great inhibitor of Scout work is the limited participation by the local community.

There Kenneth is butting his head against the same old stone wall--if the money isn't in the community, how is the community going to dig it up and put it in a project?

It has been said often that the Scouts are for boys with money. Perhaps the Scouts should sort of reverse this viewpoint--the community with the least resources should get the greatest benefit from Scouting.

The same standard should apply to the churches. If the need is there, the church should try to meet it, no matter how little money the community may be able to chip in on the preacher's wages.

It should be a burden on the conscience of the Presbyterian Church that the Doermann Memorial Presbyterian Church building stands there without a preacher, while a handful of the faithful tries to carry on the church community by its own spiritual bootstraps.

Basing a Christian's value on the worth of his purse seems a poor religion.

Arch B. Caudill and Jerry Wyatt of Williamsburg visited the former's mother, Mrs. Hettie Caudill of Blackey, and his brother, Larry

Caudill, at Whitesburg hospital.

A card from Dr. Lundy Adams at Bonita Springs, Fla., said the fishing there was poor--so he cut a watermelon.

Mrs. Marie Rogers of Hazard visited her brother, Larry Caudill, at Whitesburg hospital.

Mrs. Annie Whitaker returned home from the hospital in mid-week.

From Walter Gormley of Mt. Vernon, Iowa, comes a brochure called the Newsman's Gadfly. Walter says that sometimes newspaper writers add or omit information, distort accounts in order to manage the news. He needn't get his eye on The Mountain Eagle. We may omit a fact because we don't know it. We may be prejudiced a little, but you will find it always is in favor of something that can be of benefit to our mountain people.

Therefore Walter and others are apt to find The Mountain Eagle the most decent, most readable paper in the weekly field of journalism.

Mr. and Mrs. Hayes Shell and daughters Linda and Glenda of Dayton, Ohio, came to visit his father, Henry Shell, of Kingscreek, who was in Whitesburg hospital.

Brady Blair returned home to Crase's Branch after treatment at Whitesburg Hospital.

(EDITOR'S NOTE--The preceding Blackey news was written at Whitesburg Hospital, where Larry Caudill has been a patient for the past several weeks.)

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LETCHER COUNTY FISCAL COURT ORDER

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Court is responsible for the care and custody of the courthouse, including courtrooms, offices, halls, jail, rest rooms, etc., and WHEREAS it is deemed to be in the best interest of the county to prescribe penalties for any willful damage to the courthouse, or trespass on or injury to the courthouse committed by any person, it is hereby ordered by the Letcher County Fiscal Court that:

1. Any person who willfully or unlawfully damages the courthouse, its offices, courtrooms, jail, halls, rest rooms or any other part thereof shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined in an amount not less than \$25.00 nor more than \$500.00.
2. Any person who trespasses on or commits injury to the courthouse, its offices, courtrooms, halls, jail, rest rooms, or any other part thereof, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined in an amount not less than \$5.00 nor more than \$25.00.
3. The following acts, while not deemed to be all inclusive, shall be considered violations of this section:
 - A. Spitting, or throwing trash and waste material on the floor.
 - B. Placing of foot or feet on walls.
 - C. Marking or writing on walls, floors, ceiling.
 - D. Defacing courthouse property by cutting or removing by means, paint, plaster, blocks or other material.
 - E. Loitering.
4. No person shall post on or inside the courthouse any signs, posters, or cards of a political nature or other type of advertising. Any person violating this section shall be fined not less than \$5.00 nor more than \$25.00 and said signs, posters or cards shall be forthwith removed from the premises. This provision does not apply to political campaign material kept in private offices in the courthouse.
5. Any person violating any of the provisions of this order shall become liable to the county for any expense or loss in damages occasioned by reason of such violation.
6. The sheriff, his deputies, the jailer and his deputies, and all other peace officers are directed to arrest without warrant any person committing a violation of this order in their presence and bring them forthwith before a magistrate or the county judge for prosecution.
7. Any public official of the county or any private citizen shall likewise have the right to apprehend a person committing a violation of this order in his presence without the necessity of securing a warrant, and they shall bring said persons before a magistrate or the county judge for prosecution; or they may secure a warrant or criminal summons for such person or persons.
8. A copy of this order shall be posted on the bulletin board and shall be published in the Mountain Eagle for three consecutive weeks.
9. This order shall become effective upon its execution by the County Commissioners and County Judge.

Dated this 2nd day of February, 1965.

JAMES M. CAUDILL
Letcher County Judge
BECKHAM BATES
County Commissioner
HUGH STRUNK
County Commissioner
HERMAN FIELDS
County Commissioner

APPROVED:
TANLEY R. HOGG
Letcher County Attorney
ATTEST:
CHARLIE WRIGHT, Clerk

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TUNE IN "LOWELL THOMAS AND THE NEWS"--CBS RADIO

BUICK MOTOR DIVISION

Cumberland River**DEATH TAKES CHARLIE BLAIR TWO WEEKS AFTER WIFE DIES**

By SHARON TERRY

We extend sympathy to the family of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Blair, who died within two weeks time. Mrs. Blair died of a stroke at the Whitesburg Hospital, and Mr. Blair died at his home after a long illness.

Dave Sumpter of Oven Fork underwent surgery twice at the University of Kentucky Medical Center in Lexington during the past two weeks. He is improving.

Miss Lilly Raleigh and Miss Annette Raleigh have been visiting relatives in Louisville. They spent a week with Mr. and Mrs. William Harold Kiser and Miss Pat Terry.

Mr. and Mrs. Hargis Maggard were here from Indiana visiting relatives.

Otis Collier of Pound, Virginia, visited his daughter, Mrs. Kenneth Mullins, at Oven Fork this week.

Mrs. Charlie Lassiter of North Carolina is ill. She is the mother of Mrs. Lonnie Buchanan of Partridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Terry and daughter, Linda; Mr. and Mrs. Linvel Sumpter and family and Mrs. D. W. Sumpter were in Lexington visiting relatives last week end. Among those they visited were Mr. and Mrs. Don Hatfield, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Burke and Dave Sumpter, who is a patient in the hospital there.

Mrs. Maude Isaac and son, Charles, and Fred Blair were in this week because of the deaths of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Blair.

Harold Fleming visited Miss Brenda Burke recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Collier visited Mr. and Mrs. John Burke this week end.

Randall Collier of Cumberland and Miss Brenda Burke of Eolia visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles

Donaway in Fleming-Neon. Harold Fleming has invited his fiancee, Brenda Burke, to the Fleming-Neon athletic banquet.

Mrs. Christine Burke is very ill at her home in Lexington. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Sumpter of Oven Fork.

France Maggard visited Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Buchanan Sunday.

L. R. Buchanan spent the week end with David Jones of Oven Fork.

Brenda Terry is spending a couple of days with her grandmother, Mrs. Winnie Sumpter.

Brenda Burke visited Miss Carolyn Clinger and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Collier Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Terry visited Mr. and Mrs. France Maggard.

Mrs. Julie Maggard of Partridge is said to be improving at her home after suffering a stroke.

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GAS FRANCHISE ORDINANCE CITY OF NEON, KENTUCKY

ORDINANCE NO. 59-A

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A GAS FRANCHISE TO THE HIGHEST AND BEST BIDDER WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF NEON, LETCHER COUNTY, KENTUCKY, BUT RESERVING THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEON, LETCHER COUNTY, AS FOLLOWS:

That there be, and is hereby granted the right, privilege and franchise to construct, operate and maintain within the City of Neon, a gas system and system of mains to furnish gas to said City of Neon and its inhabitants.

NOW, THEREFORE, in order to carry into effect the purpose for which this franchise is granted, this ordinance is subject to the following stipulations, agreements and conditions, viz:

The right to use the public streets, avenues, lanes and alleys within the city limits of the City of Neon, Kentucky, for the purpose of laying mains and pipes through which to conduct natural or artificial gas for a period of twenty (20) years.

The sale will be made for cash in hand at date of sale, but the amount so paid shall be returned to the successful bidder in case said sale is not confirmed by the Board of Council, and on the following additional conditions:

The sale of franchise herein contemplated shall be made by the City Clerk of the City of Neon, who is hereby commissioned to duly advertise said right and privilege for sale in three (3) consecutive issues of the Mountain Eagle, a weekly publication of Whitesburg, Letcher County, Kentucky, and on March 13, 1965 (Saturday), on which day, between the hours of 12:00 o'clock noon and 2:00 o'clock P.M., he shall, at the front door of the City Hall in this City, offer at public outcry, to the highest bona fide bidder, for cash in hand paid, the right and privilege of using the streets, avenues, alleys and lanes of said City of Neon for the purpose of conducting, conveying and transporting natural or artificial gas, or both, in pipes for public and private use in the City of Neon from the date of said sale for, and during a period of twenty (20) years.

The purchaser of said franchise and his associates, successors and assigns shall have power under it to open said streets, avenues, alleys and lanes for the introduction of pipes and mains for the purpose of carrying and distributing said natural or artificial gas under all the restrictions and provisions hereinafter contained.

That all excavations made by purchaser of this franchise, his associates, successors and assigns, for the introduction of such pipes and mains for the purpose aforesaid, shall be made with the least practical inconvenience to the public or individual and with all reasonable dispatch; that all damage to streets, sidewalks or other public places by and on said excavation shall be repaired by said parties at their own cost and without unnecessary delays. If said parties shall fail or neglect to make the necessary repairs within a reasonable time from the date of making such excavations, then the city may remove or repair the same, at the cost of said parties, and said parties shall be responsible for all injuries or damages to persons or property occasioned by a want of care in opening, or keeping open, closing or repairing, or in any other manner unnecessarily, carelessly or negligently obstructing said streets, avenues, lanes or alleys for the purpose aforesaid.

That should said purchaser or assigns fail or neglect to exercise the right and privilege herein granted on or before March 13, 1967, or fail in supplying said City and its inhabitants with said natural or artificial gas for the purpose aforesaid, or fail or refuse to comply with the provisions herein contained, then, in such event, this grant and franchise, and all rights, benefits and privileges that have accrued, or may accrue, to said purchaser or their assigns, shall be forfeited and wholly void.

If after a period of months it becomes evident that gas cannot be obtained, then in that event the purchaser of this franchise will grant all the rights herein contained back to the City in order that the City may be able to sell the franchise to purchasers that are able to supply said gas.

That said purchaser or their assigns, in delivering gas, shall not discriminate against consumers within the corporate limits of the City of Neon, and will not discriminate against consumers three (3) miles above and three (3) miles below said city.

That no street, alley or lane shall, at any time, be so obstructed as to prevent ordinary travel of same.

That the right shall be reserved by the city for the City Engineer, or any other engineer employed by the City, to designate at what distance from the curb line said pipes shall be placed, and the same shall be placed below the frost line, and all work, including the laying of mains, shall be subject to the approval of said city engineer. It is further agreed, as a part consideration for the granting of this franchise, that the purchaser will, at all times, maintain said equipment, mains and pipes, in a safe condition and that any leaks or unsafe conditions that may exist in said mains will be immediately repaired.

That all excavations shall be protected by guard rails and at night by signal lights. That a good and sufficient bond, in the amount of Twenty-Five Thousand (\$25,000) Dollars, be given by the purchaser or his assigns before work under the franchise shall commence, conditioned to hold the city harmless by reason of any accident or litigation growing out of any negligence or want of care in excavation, operating or obstructing, opening or keeping open and maintaining the streets, alleys and lanes in a safe condition for the traveling public, and that the same will be restored as soon as the pipe lines are laid in as good condition as they were prior to the making such excavations. That said purchaser will, at all times, carry sufficient insurance to protect the inhabitants of the City and its property owners during the continuance of this franchise.

It is further understood that the successful bidder shall furnish, free of charge, gas to the Neon City Hall.

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and publication.

This ordinance was adopted on the 16 day of February, 1965.

ROBERT P. WALKER
Mayor, City of Neon

ATTEST:
DUWARD BANKS
Clerk, City of Neon

Floyd Halcomb dies

Funeral services for Floyd Halcomb, 63, were held at his home at Whitco Feb. 16. Elder James Wright officiated. Burial was in the Dow Collins Cemetery.

Mr. Halcomb, a retired miner, died Feb. 14 at Whitesburg Hospital. He had been ill for several years.

He was born at Linefork.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Lillian Halcomb; four sisters, Mrs. Jane Blair, Eolia; Mrs. Arlene Cornett, Linefork; Mrs. Darkey Fouts, Cumberland, and Mrs. Vina Collins, Whitesburg.

Blair Funeral Home had charge of funeral arrangements.

Blair rites held

Funeral services for Charlie Benton Blair, 81, a retired merchant, were held Feb. 17 at his residence in Oven Fork. Elders Riley Fouts and Troy Engle officiated. Burial was in the Maggard Cemetery at Partridge.

Mr. Blair died Feb. 13 at his home after a long illness. His wife died eight days earlier, on Feb. 5.

A native of Oven Fork, he was a member of the Old Regular Baptist Church there.

Survivors are two sons, Fred C. and Paul Blair, both of Universal City, Texas; four daughters, Mrs. Ora Buckley, Partridge; Mrs. Maude Isaac, Gainesville, Fla.; Mrs. Lillie Frazier, Day, and Mrs. Nola Barnes, Sunland, Calif., 17 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Blair Funeral Home had charge of funeral arrangements.

Carr Creek

DAM CONSTRUCTION WILL START SOON

By MABEL KISER

We extend sympathy to the family of Polly Caudill of Smithsboro, who died this week. She was the mother of Tilden Caudill.

Mr. and Mrs. Delzia Bowen are home from Morehead. Mr. Bowen, who has been very sick, now is much improved.

Kermitt Amburgey of Colson was visiting his father, Noah Amburgey, at Omaha. Noah is not well this winter.

Opal Gamble and her sister, Sarah Rings, have purchased the restaurant in Hindman formerly owned by Dennis Sturgill.

Mrs. John Cris Cornett has taken over the management of the Hindman Hotel.

We extend sympathy to the family of Jody Brown, who died this week after a long illness.

Mrs. Virgil Eversole (Pearl) has returned to her home in Ohio after visiting her father, Maryland Amburgey.

Carr Creek residents were shocked this week to learn of the death of a former resident. Miss Fran Fields, 19, was killed when the car in which she was riding collided with another car. Miss Fields, 19, was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Fields, now of Cleveland, Ohio. She was a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kit Honeycutt and the John Fieldses. She was brought back to Carr Creek and buried in the family cemetery.

Old Kentucky pond frogs are

crying out loud telling us that winter is over. But little Nina Kiser, 4, says they are saying, "Cold, cold river."

A meeting was held at Cody this week to discuss further plans for the proposed Carr Fork Dam. The Corps of Engineers plans to start construction work early this summer and to have all the land that the lake will cover purchased by 1967.

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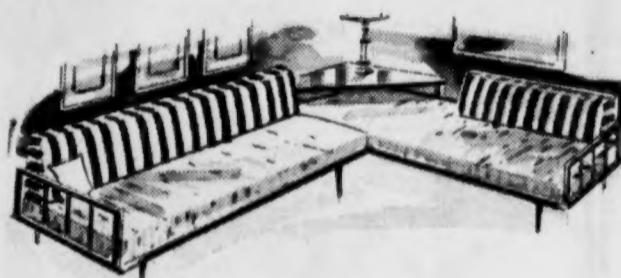


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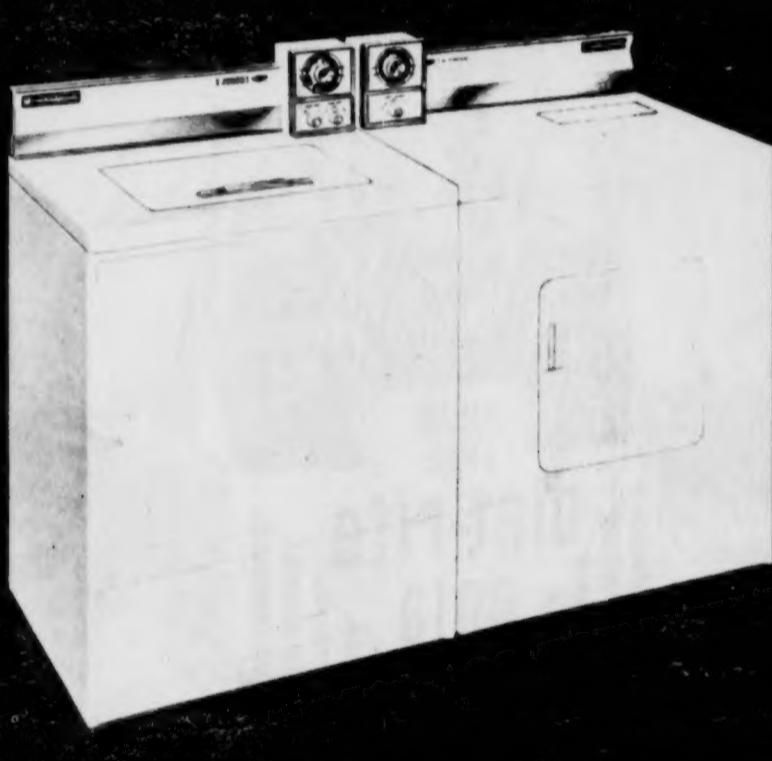
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CITY OF WHITESBURG ORDINANCE

WHITESBURG
ORDINANCE REPEALING
ORDINANCE NO. 177
Adopted By The Council
of the City of Whitesburg, As
Follows:

This ordinance number 177
which is a right to work ordinance
is hereby repealed and
held for naught.

force and effect upon its adoption
and publication as required
by law.

Adopted in Regular session of
the Council, this the 21st day of
January, 1964.

(Signed) Ferdinand Moore,
Mayor, City of Whitesburg.

Attest: Don C. Blair, Clerk,

City of Whitesburg.

18 students from Letcher County are on dean's list at Morehead State College for first semester

Morehead - Eighteen Letcher
Countians were among the 708
students who made the Dean's
List for the fall term at Morehead
State College.

Students must achieve a point
standing of 3.0 or more of a
possible 4.0 points to appear on
the list.

The Letcher students and their
standings included:
Margaret Cheryl Adams, 3.71;
Sue Combs Breeding, 3.00; William
Woodford Breeding, 3.44;
Madonna Dingus, 3.20; Elisabeth
Ann Fields, 3.81; Glenna Faye
Hall, 3.00; Rosemary Holbrook,
3.31; Sammie Lee Holtzclaw,

3.29; Elizabeth Ann Malick,
3.19; Peyton Reynolds, 3.83;
Betty Jo Phelps, 3.53; Mary Jordan
Schuchat, 4.00; Henry Bennett
Welch, 3.00; Joyce Broom
Welch, 3.75; Thomas Welch,
4.00; William Joe Welch, 3.07;
Billy Rae Wright, 4.00; and Linda
Carroll Wright, 3.13.

Fleming-Neon**WILMA HOLBROOK REPORTED BETTER;
JOHN BELCHER DIES UNEXPECTEDLY**

By Mrs. Jim Revis
Phone 855-3841

It was glad news Tuesday morning when Mrs. Ray Triplett called to say that her daughter, Wilma Holbrook, who was seriously ill for a week at Dr. Wright's clinic, is better now. She since has been transferred to the Jenkins clinic.

Relatives who were home during the illness of Mrs. Holbrook included Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Fugate of Harlan; Mr. and Mrs. David Mercher, Mr. Leon Mercer and Mrs. Bobby Breeding, all of Indianapolis; Mr. and Mrs. Willard Gibson and Mr. and Mrs. Webber of Greensburg, Ind.; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mitten, Miss Doris Ann Blansford and Harlan Devon, all of Hamilton, Ohio.

Birthday greetings for February go to Lillie Tucker, Virginia Basham, Gussie Fuller, Gracie Howell, Nell Houghton, Rex Jones, Pat Wilson, Ronald Hobbs, Conley Meade, Betty Lou Cureton, Wythe Mabrey, Bill Duke, Jessie Kidd, Franklin D. Duke, Kathryn Quillen, Allwyn Reynolds, Arthur J. Fletcher, Lowell Fletcher, Roberta Kincer, Mildred Kidd, and Anetha Reasor.

Sorry to learn that Mrs. Russell Brown, mother of Warren Combs, is very ill at this writing and is in the hospital.

Our sympathy goes to the family of John Edgar Belcher, who died Wednesday morning at his home. Belcher, 49, was survived by his wife, Mrs. Gertrude Belcher, and seven children - five girls and two boys. They are Betty Jo, Shirley, Sue, Alene, Grace and Sammy Lee and Rickey. His mother, Mrs. Lincoln Johnson of Hemphill, also survived. Funeral services were held at the Hemphill Church of Christ and burial was in the Hemphill cemetery. Banks and Craft Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mr. and Mrs. Mose Adams of Ashland spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Wright. They were on their way to Grundy, Va., to visit Mrs. Adams's sister-in-law, Mrs. Aron Hall, who is in the Grundy hospital following a heart attack.

The Neon Methodist Church had a race relations day service February 14. Visitors came from the Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Haymond. Brother Webb Greene preached and Mrs. Marie Johnson led her choir in four selections.

The WSCS met Friday night at the Methodist Church. Mrs. Etta Long led the program about Valentine's Day. Audry Stallard served refreshments to Mrs. Loren Bentley, Mrs. Sally Bentley, Mrs.

J. R. Weyand, Mrs. Tip James and Mrs. Ruby Harlow.

The Neon homemakers met at the Banks and Craft Funeral Home Tuesday night. Hostesses were Mrs. Daisy Yonts and Mrs. Alvin Bentley. They discussed raising money for the heart fund, and agreed to work with the Lions Club to raise money to buy outfitts for the basketball team. They will start off by holding a spaghetti dinner Friday, Feb. 19, at the Fleming-Neon Grade School. Tickets will cost \$1.

Mrs. Bill Blair cooked a big dinner for the opening of a new bargain store in Fleming. About 15 persons ate with her. Mr. and Mrs. Morlan Rose are going to manage the store, located in the Hampton Bargain Center. The store will carry a variety of used clothing and furniture.

Mrs. Bessie Seals is seriously ill again and is back in the Jenkins hospital.

Mrs. Jerry V. Collier called to say her oldest son, Pete, was injured pretty badly while playing basketball and is under a doctor's care.

SHOP AT HOME**Millstone****CROCUSES PEEP THROUGH SNOW TO BLOOM DESPITE GLOOM;
CARROTS AND CABBAGE FRIED TOGETHER MAKE FINE DISH**

By MABEL KISER

Noticed the little crocuses peeping through the snow? Don't you just love their blooms? Their little heads of many colors seem to say, "I'll bloom, despite the cold and gloom."

Uncle Enoch Collier has a new great-grandson. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Terry Potter of Jenkins, and grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wright.

Arlie King is somewhat improved. He went to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. (Bee Man) King, on Pine Mountain for a 12-hour pass Sunday so as to visit with his children, Mrs. Mary Tye of California and Mrs. Janice Michael of Cleveland. Arlie is suffering from a liver disorder.

Mrs. Lilly Craft Adams of Whitaker accompanied the Ballard Meades to Virgie Sunday. They all attended the Old Union Church and afterward had dinner with an old friend and neighbor, Maryland Bates, and his wife.

Like broiled or fried cabbage? Try cutting carrots into the pan and frying the carrots and cabbage together. They are better than good.

We were sorry to learn that Mrs. Doyle Hooper of Mayking slipped and fell Saturday while attending the funeral of Blaine Adams and broke her collarbone. She is in the Whitesburg Hospital.

Jim Richardson is doing fine after undergoing an emergency appendectomy Sunday afternoon. He has suffered from a serious heart condition for some time.

Elder and Mrs. Felix Sexton of Deane, formerly of Millstone, attended Old Union Church at Virgie Sunday.

Mrs. Archie Craft, Springfield, Ohio, called her parents, the Ballard Meades, Sunday afternoon to say she had been very sick.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Holbrook and Mr. and Mrs. Hays Profit were recent guests of the Sam Webbs of Kona, up on the Kentucky River, recently. Mr. and Mrs. Webb have both had surgery and both are doing fair. She is up and about; he is still in bed.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Meade and baby are here from North Carolina this week for a visit with his parents, the Sherman Meades.

William B. Holbrook, oldest son of Jesse Holbrook Jr. of Or-

lando, Fla., is an honor student in the field of engineering at the University of Florida in Gainesville. William is the oldest grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Holbrook of Millstone.

I was very glad to meet the son of an old friend Friday night at the home of the late Elijah Richardson. He was a Baptist minister, Herman Bates Jr., the son of the late Herman and Ida Draughn Bates. I remember Mrs. Bates from childhood, and Aunt Hattie Profit of Colson and I had visited her several times at her home in Payne Gap. She always spoke lovingly of her minister son, so it was my pleasure to meet him.

Patients visited

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lee Phillips of Clay City visited his father, Barney Phillips, at Whitesburg hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Estill Looney of Charlestow, Ind., visited her father, Barney Phillips, at the hospital.

Henry Shell returned home to Kingscreek after several days in Whitesburg Hospital.

Brady Blair of Crase's Branch was treated at Whitesburg Hospital.

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Current comment:
APPALACHIA AS SYMBOL

Appalachia is really more a concept than a region, which explains why every troubled area of the country has been trying to jump aboard the Appalachian gravy train before it whizzes through Congress.

The behavior of Senators from the Upper Great Lakes, the Ozark Mountains, New England, the Upper Great Plains and even New York should not be attributed primarily to an intoxicating whiff of the old Congressional pork barrel. Their regions also need help, and they know it. But they would do well to re-examine the \$1.1 Appalachian Regional Development Program, which Congress is expected to approve shortly, before committing their regions to a comparable approach.

The theory behind the program is that the construction of 3,350 miles of highways will permit tourists, industrialists and other affluent Americans to trickle into Appalachia and help it to become a woody suburb of the Great Society. But this ignores the basic lesson to be learned from Appalachia, which dramatizes the increasingly tenuous link between incomes and jobs in America. Appalachia would not have become a symbol of national neglect if coal mining and agriculture had not been transformed by the new technology.

As long as society requires men to work in order to live decently, jobs will remain the greatest need of Appalachia and other troubled regions. But the Appalachian Development Program won't create jobs. It only promises them--and the prospect is dubious, because automation makes it highly unlikely that private industry will absorb the expanding work force, even with easy access to every Appalachian hamlet.

On the other hand, there is a great deal of work to be done to achieve the Great Society. In Appalachia, for example, much of the housing is delapidated or deteriorating. The rural population is scattered in isolated hollows, making it almost impossible to finance adequate public services. New towns could be created that would provide better schools and health facilities, with their residents commuting to work along the new highways. Reforestation, stream clean-up, extensive reclamation of strip-mined land could also provide thousands of jobs for Appalachia's unemployed and give them the income that would enable their children to stay in school.

The Appalachian Development Program is basically conservative, designed to get through Congress by avoiding any real challenges to the conventional economic wisdom. It should be considered only a modest down payment--a feeble step toward the kind of comprehensive regional development programs the nation needs.

--from THE NATION, issue of February 22, 1965

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Why plant trees?

To the editor:

The conservation agent of Letcher County has been urging land owners to plant trees, saying this will help to prevent erosion and provide a cash crop for future generations and also beautify these bare hills. Of course this is true and should be done, BUT why should anyone plant trees on these hills?

When the state laws allow ever kind of butcher of a fly-by-night coal operator to despoil our fair hills and valleys by ever device known to man. They go into our valleys and tear up all the land that is fit to build on with bulldozers and trucks and then deface the hills with unsightly gashes of truck roads and strip mines and auger mines, leaving their spoils to wash down the valleys and cause floods and widespread damage to ever farm and home in the scope of the Kentucky River.

So why plant trees today and have some unscrupulous mining operator come the next day and take his bulldozer and cover them up without any regard to beauty or safety or property damage.

I think ever man that has his county's welfare at heart should try to do something about this--enact some law or restriction to stop this wanton destruction of our hills and valleys in Letcher County.

DEWEY R. BROWN
Whitesburg

Teachers' 'holidays'

To the editor:

To those who have often wondered what school folk do with "all those days off from school" (holidays, I believe they call them) and "all those long, restful week ends," you may be interested in the activities of some of your school personnel from the Jenkins Independent Schools and Letcher County Schools during the week end of February 6-7.

Assistant Superintendent of Letcher County Schools Kendall Boggs, who is president of Upper Kentucky River Education Asso-

Dr. Fred(VII)
SWEETENIN' CAME IN SEVERAL FORMS

By LARRY CAUDILL

Current generations of the descendants of the Kentucky mountaineer will go on largely in ignorance of the proud heritage that is theirs.

It scarcely will occur to them that they stem from sturdy Anglo-Saxon stock, largely.

For many reasons they came to America. They were oppressed or persecuted, or perhaps they simply sought adventure.

My brother, who was Dr. F. W. Caudill, liked to study the ethnic and other reasons for the settlement of America. Our Scotch-Irish ancestors, he thought, settled on the Appalachian highlands because it was a haven.

"It is no disgrace to say that there is little doubt that in many cases Grandfathers Caudillo or Coddill or Caparett or Caudill settled in the mountains to dodge the law. When the law got too rough he hitchhiked a ship to America, jumped ship and headed for the hills."

In Appalachia over a century and a half he became in his isolation a distinctive if not distinct people.

Force of necessity developed in him many fine and some great qualities. These are difficult to portray. That eminent authority on Appalachia, Harry M. Caudill, author of "Night Comes to the Cumberlands," says simply, "we are a queer people."

No better way has been found to describe the Kentucky mountaineer than that colloquial word of his own creation.

His is indeed a proud heritage. But the modern Kentucky mountaineer is no longer that. He is an outmigrant, a flatlander.

By force of circumstance he now inhabits the industrial areas. He still tends to cling to his own people. There are population clusters of Kentucky hillbillies in cities all over the north.

Their children will know little of the century-and-a-half history of their ancestors, of how the Kentucky mountaineer lived before the turn of the 20th century, except from such peripatetic recordings as this.

His mountaineer ancestor was not literate. His history is largely folklore.

Such memoirs as this have some value in that they were lived.

Their value may be in that these memoirs are by a trained, professional writer.

I can tell these younger generations, for instance, as they dip the second spoon of white granulated sugar into the coffee, that their great grandfathers provided his own sugar.

At the first burgeoning of spring he went to the maple woods with an auger, to tap the maple trees; spills made of bamboo and his supply of bailed buckets to catch the sweet sap as it dripped from the tree.

The sap was collected as the buckets filled and were emptied into a larger container for delivery to the house.

I can recall shuffling through the snowy woods, carrying a two-gallon bucket of the crystal clear sap in each hand, and my ears fast frost-biting. With Dad in the log woods it fell to Brother Fred and me to gather the sap one day. Now Fred was no great innovator, either in those boyhood days or later in his long career in medicine. But then he had an idea for improved efficiency and labor-saving. Why not lash a large wooden washtub on the sled, hitch up the slowest old mule--and bring in all the maple sap on one trip?

Sounded a fine idea. We emptied the catch buckets until the tub was two-thirds full to allow for sloshage in the movement of the sled. We were nearly out of the woods. There was ice in the ground leaves.

The sled slid and slewed and all but tipped over the tub. Two thirds of the sap spilled.

Oh, it was a sweet mess.

We went over to the sap trees again, got the tub half filled and got it home. The spill incident never was mentioned.

There were very few secrets between Fred and me over the years -- and this sappy story was one of

The boiling-down process was timed so that it could be "stirred-off" in early evening.

Such a stir-off was a social occasion. The young folk gathered from all around.

To a teen-ager it was a little surprising how often one came upon an accidentally-on-purpose rendezvous with a lissome mountain lassie in the woods outside the ring of the firelight and the crowd.

I shall of course be forever left to wonder if the girls of the modern mountaineer coinage are as coyly as adept at arranging such rendezvous.

If my own little daughter, already beautiful at 3 years old, can and will, sometime, somewhere, provide a fortunate young man with such an idyll.

I reverently hope so.

For of such, my fading old friends, is the essence of living.

Such is love. What else is there?

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